

Priests

Since our establishment as a diocese in 1968, nine priests of the Diocese of St. Petersburg have admitted to or have been determined to have committed sexual abuse of a minor or minors and have been permanently removed from ministry or are deceased. Their names are:

1. Richard Allen
2. Norman Balthazar
3. Rocco D'Angelo
4. William Lau
5. Hubert Reason
6. Michael Rhodes
7. James Russo
8. Robert Schaeufele
9. Keith Symons

Priests of other dioceses and priests of religious communities who have admitted to or have been determined to have committed sexual abuse of a minor or minors and have served in our diocese are not included in this list.

The list does not include individuals where an investigation concluded that the facts could not determine sexual abuse had occurred.

Lay Employees

Since 1968, five employees of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, our parishes, or our schools have admitted to or have been determined to have committed sexual abuse of a minor or minors. Their names are:

1. Robert Allen
2. Leon Gilberti
3. Emil Anastia
4. Scott Stern

5. Tom Nibbio

Lay religious (brothers, sisters, nuns) who have admitted to or have been determined to have committed sexual abuse of a minor or minors and have served in our diocese are not included in this list.

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